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The Digital Rosetta Stone

# News

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#### OpenDocument ratified by ISO

The OpenDocument file format (ODF) ratified by the International Organization for Standardization (I and the International Electrotechnicommission (IEC). More...

#### <u>Unipage - standards-based single-</u> web archive format

Unipage is a new spin on saving a complete web page in a single file that has all the referenced images stylesheets and such like embedded it. More...

# PDF Forward Compatibility Issues A couple of interesting articles or

A couple of interesting articles of pdfzone.com highlight the perils of digital preservation. More...

#### <u>Virtual Machine File Format</u> Competition

Virtualization is the latest hot technology, and the main players an all trying to get their file formato be the standard. More...

## WhatIsThatFile.com

<u>whatIsThatFile.com</u> is a new site to help identify files based on the name rather than the contents. More...

## <u>Battle Lines in the Document Format</u> <u>Wars</u>

Both Microsoft and the OpenDocument camp are forming alliances to promote their respective formats. More...

#### Determining a character set

I recently had a couple files that were mostly US-ASCII but had a few strange bytes in them. To help figure out what characters they should be, I made an online utility to reverse map from bytes to character sets.

### Tags vs. Categories

After reading a very interesting post from Ari Paparo on the differences between Blink.com and Del.icio.us, as well as my own experience with adding information, I decided to switch from complicated hierarchical categories to flat tags. More...

#### <u>Sun to offer online conversion of</u> MSWord to OpenDocument

Sun announced an online service to convert files from MSOffice/MSWord's proprietary formats to the new OpenDocument format. This is actually from November 2006 and I haven't seen anything else about it. It sounds like it is primarily to promote their new grid computing initiative and that there may be a cost associated with it. I am working on a similar service, which will be free (at least for smaller files). Via Richard MacManus.

### <u>Grant for the Global Digital Format</u> Registry

The Harvard University Library got a

# Image Conversions

Common - convert between
standard image types

SVG to raster - convert
vector SVG images to PNG,
JPEG or TIFF images.

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<u>Identify</u> - detailed information about an image

Metadata - view metadata for standard image types

#### **Text Conversions**

CharSet - character set
(aka Code Page) conversion

UTF - change UTF encoding

unix2dos - Unix to
Windows/MS-DOS text files

dos2unix - Windows/MS-DOS
to Unix text files

More text conversions...

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#### Document Conversions

PDF to Text - extract text
from an Adobe Acrobat PDF
file

PowerPoint to Flash convert from Microsoft
PowerPoint (.PPT) to Flash
(.SWF)

## Online Tools

HexDump - view contents of
a binary file

<u>Strings</u> - find text in a binary file

RegEx - regular expression tester

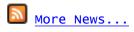
<u>Hash</u> - calculate hash functions

IPLocation - geographic
location from IP address

<u>Label</u> - label and envelope printing

More tools...

grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to make a Global Digital Format Registry. More...



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